

SAVANNAH PRAISED HIGHLY BY SMITH; IT'LL PROBABLY BE TIGERS' TRAINING CAMP

Club Holds Option on Ground Until Jan. 1—Exhibition Games Being Arranged Right Along for Ante-League Season.

When Harry Smith, manager of the Tigers, entered the baseball office at the Union building yesterday on his return from Savannah, Ga., where the Tigers will train this season, President George L. Solomon handed him part of the exhibition schedule already arranged. Smith said the schedule was excellent. It includes games with the Brooklyn Nationals, New York Americans, Philadelphia Athletics, Petersburg and Richmond, Va. Several other dates will be added while the Tigers are working out in the South.

Smith was delighted over the Savannah grounds and said that all the players would be joyful on their arrival there. "There is room galore for the pitchers to work out, as well as the catchers while practice on the infield and outfield is in progress at the same time," declared the Tiger manager. "While there I assisted in surveying the field a bit," he continued, "and they have promised to have it in first class condition when we arrive there around March 15. The hotel accommodations will be excellent, too, and the people whom I met were delighted on hearing that the Newark Club would make their training quarters in Savannah."

The Providence club and a pair of big league teams were also after the grounds, but the local manager was lucky enough to get the option first. The Tigers trained there last season. Mr. Solomon has an option on the field now, which will, in all probability, be closed before January 1. It is likely that the players will make the trip down by boat, and return by rail, as several stop-offs will be made on coming north.

As for hotel accommodations Smith said there will be none better anywhere. A new hotel, the Savannah, is being erected and will be finished when the Tigers arrive. The proprietor stated that everything for the convenience of the players will be furnished, which means that the Tigers should be in first-class shape when the championship season opens on April 15.

The first exhibition game north will be played in Brooklyn with the Brooklyn Club. It will mark the dedication of Ebbets Field.

On the following day, April 6, Brooklyn will be the guests at Wiedenmayer's Park. On April 7 and 8 the Regals will meet the Yankees, one game of which will be played here and the other in New York. After the contest on the eighth, the Tigers will jump to Petersburg, Va., where a series of two games will be played. Richmond will be met at Richmond on April 11 and 12.

On the thirteenth, the locals will face the Philadelphia Athletics at Wiedenmayer's Park. A game for the fourteenth has not, as yet, been booked, but one will probably be arranged with either the Albany or Utica Club, of the New York State League, on that date, here. The Tigers may play the Brooklyn Club while in Savannah, while other clubs, probably Savannah, of the South Atlantic League, and teams from the vicinity of the city will also be played.

Wagner's Habit of Eating When He Pleases Helps Him

Hans Wagner, the Pittsburgh shortstop, is one of the "youngest" veterans in the National League ranks. Physicians ascribe the German's greatness to his roving disposition, his fondness for nature and habit of eating what he pleases. In commenting upon Wagner's ability to keep in good shape, year after year, James Jerpe, of Pittsburgh, who has known the great shortstop a number of years, says:

"When a man of his natural physique can eat what he wants, drink what he wants and do what he pleases in the open air all the year around, it isn't any real wonder that he prolongs his athletic career and stands off the slowest and stalest that comes to the best of them as the years go by.

"Honus is the living ideal of the simple life. He clings to nature. He spends his fall and winter in the woods and the spare time of the summer at the banks of a stream—fishing. He loves the freedom of the open air and he is at home in the wildest woods. He has the nature of an Indian in this respect. You don't catch Honus browsing around in the city or on the streets or in his own little circle of wooden floors.

"I have known him personally for years and I know that his fondness for hunting and fishing and life in the open air has kept him from going to the discard as a really great player. Honus roams the woods from year desire. He doesn't worry. He sleeps a lot and he doesn't eat what he pleases and when he pleases. Ham and eggs look good to him three times a day. Between meals he seeks the open air—either in an automobile or on foot.

"Honus has a poetic nature in this respect, although he is anything but a poet. In the open air, the trees, the streams and the wild freedom of the woods have a fancy for him, and in this environment only he is happy. It is any wonder then that he retains his vigor and conserves much of that dash and speed that makes

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"HOBEBY" BAKER IS STAR FOR TIGER SEVEN ON THE ICE

Williams Falls Easy Victim to the Skill of Jerseymen by Score of 14 to 10.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Princeton in her first real intercollegiate hockey game of the season defeated the seven men from Williams last night at the local rink by the overwhelming score of 14 to 1. It was really "Hobey" Baker, aided more or less by the six other Princeton men, that did the trick.

The little "Hobey" Wagner of hockey was all over the ice, darting here and there, dodging through the entire Williams team and either scoring himself or passing the puck to some other Princeton man who was fleet enough to keep up with the flying Tiger. At times it seemed as if the Princeton captain was too fast for his own men, and many more goals would have been scored had a Tiger been at the side of Baker. Kuhn, the only other man from last year's championship team, did good work.

MURPHY GOES TO TEXAS TO PREPARE GIANTS' GROUNDS

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—As vanguard to the New York Nationals' annual invasion of Marlin, Texas, Groundkeeper John Murphy, of the Polo Grounds, started for Marlin today to put the Giants' baseball park there in readiness for the training season. The Giants have become an institution in Marlin, where the citizens have presented them with an up-to-date park. Murphy made a fine diamond on it last year, but he contemplates a number of improvements, including a drainage system, an occasional flower bed, and a new seeding of grass.

DETROIT HAS THE WORST BATTER AS WELL AS BEST

The Detroit owners now have on their roster the man who claims the proud distinction of being positively the world's worst hitter. Healey, the pitcher secured from Denver, is this individual, and his record for 1912 ought to give him the laurel as universal champion in the anti-swatter league.

In thirty-seven games Healey was charged with eighty-two legal times at bat, and on each of these eighty-two occasions he failed to make a base hit. His season's batting average is exactly .000, which, considering the number of chances that he had to spoil the perfect mark, stands alone among the records of non-accomplishments.

Any number of batsmen have gone hitless for from ten to twenty-five games. Shipke, formerly with Washington, once traveled twenty-three playing days without making a hit. As he can be learned Healey stands alone in having endured through an entire season with an unblemished row of zeros to represent his power with the fist.

BRESNAHAN WOULDN'T TAKE CONTRACT FOR STAGE

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 21.—"I'm not an actor and I refuse to be a fool," was Roger Bresnahan's turnaround of a local theatrical agent's recent offer of a \$1,000 a week to appear in vaudeville in a skit entitled "Petitcot Rule."

With Christmas less than a week away, on being offered a chance of earning \$425.00 an hour, Bresnahan laughed at his would-be benefactor. "That stuff's all right for Robt. Marquand and Charles Faust," he said. "But they've got to come better than \$1,000 a week to get me in wrong with myself. I couldn't pull that boob stuff and expect to ever again look my friends in the eye. It's no business for a man from Tralee."

New York Supreme Court to Decide on "Loaded" Ball

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The Supreme Court was called upon yesterday to decide whether a championship game of tennis, won with a ball alleged to be "loaded," had been won fairly. The suit was filed by the Corinthian Club, winner of the Eagle cup, the championship trophy in the 1912 tournament, to restrain the National Bowling Association from expelling the club from its membership and thereby prevent the club from participating in other organized tournaments. The club asserts that the association intended to expel it because of charges that William Hein, a member of the club's team, had used an unfair ball. This charge the club denies.

YOUNG LIBBY BEATEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Although he was knocked down twice, Harry Braun, the former amateur boxer, easily defeated Young Libby, of Harlem, in a 10-round bout at the New Polo A. A. Braun earned the honors in six rounds, two went to Libby and the other two were even.

PATSY RICE DIES

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 21.—William B. (Patsy) Rice, well-known horseman, died here yesterday of typhoid pneumonia. Some of the horses he brought to the front of the racing world were George Wakefield, Modicum Primus, Buttons, Mikado and Bozeman.

BLAIR A WINNER

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—James Blair, of Philadelphia, defeated Walter Davenport, of Kansas City, in a national three-cushion billiard league game here tonight 50 to 45. Blair had a high run of four and Davenport of three.

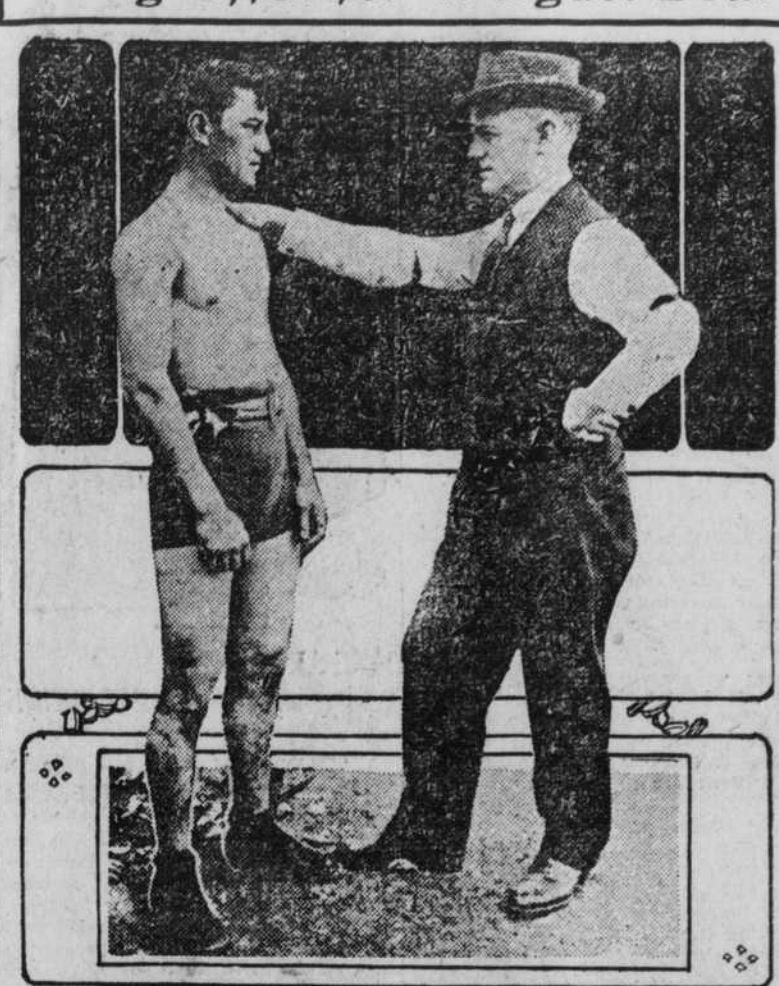
BINGHAM VS. SORAKICHI

Will Bingham next Thursday night at the Gayety Theatre will meet Tomaso Sorakichi.

CHRISTMAS

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Willie Ritchie and Manager Billy Nolan, Who Accepted Big Offer for Wolgast Bout



"NEITHER O'BRIEN NOR LOCKE WILL HEAD THE PHILLIES"—WILER

CHARLEY EBBETS IS SOME GENIUS

The genius of Charles Ebbets is worth an occasional marvel. Note that Charles has decided to open his new park with a game between Brooklyn and Newark teams. Thus he gets the receipts going and coming—for he controls both clubs.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—President Wiler, of the Phillies, yesterday denied the story that Charles Taft had been in this city in consultation with himself, Business Manager Shetline and Manager Charles Doolin.

Mr. Wiler said that he has not seen Mr. Taft recently and that so far as he knew no changes would be made in the club's officers.

"Mr. Taft is satisfied that the Philadelphia club is a good proposition, and he is also satisfied with the present officers," said Mr. Wiler. "Mr. Taft has no intention of selling the club, nor has he any intention of making Joseph O'Brien or William Locke president. Mr. Taft and myself understand each other perfectly. Mr. Shetline has been authorized to go ahead with the business end, and Manager Doolin has full authority with the players. He may make any trades or deals he desires and he has money at his disposal if he needs to expend it."

Walter Maraville, who will replace Al Bridwell at short for the Braves, has signed his contract.

Old Father Time Counted Out Several Former Stars in 1912

The season of 1912 was a hard one for major league veterans, many of whom were knocked out of the spotlight by old Father Time. Perhaps never before were so many stars of the diamond retired from the big leagues in a single season.

One of the first to fall by the wayside in 1912 was Cy Young. Before the season was half over the famous old veteran was convinced that his days of usefulness on the diamond were finished and he retired to his Ohio farm, never again to be seen in big league baseball.

Young, however, was not the only star pitcher to retire from major league baseball in 1912. Mordecai Brown of the Cubs and Wild Bill Donovan of the Tigers are other former prize twirlers who flipped their last big league games in the season just passed. An injury to his leg helped to shorten the career of Brown, but Donovan played out his string and ended the season as manager of the Providence team. Wild Bill was pitched for the Brooklyn before the American League ever threatened to invade the East.

Kickapoo Eddie Sommers, also of the Tigers, was another pitcher who was lassoed by Father Time last season. A sore wing assisted Pop in Summerville, and Cy Morgan, the Cross Roads cut-up of the Athletics, was another capable mound artist to take a Brodie out of the majors. Cy was sent to Kansas City by Connie Mack, but went into vaudeville instead.

Lesser lights on the mound hill to turn in their last big league uniforms last season were King Cole, the boy wonder who led the National League pitchers in 1910; Barney Peltz, a time-honored member of the Browns, who finished his major league career with Washington; Harry Krause, of the Athletics and Cleveland, who was a marvel in 1909, and Jim Vaughn and Jack Quinn, both of the Highlanders.

Perhaps the catching department was assailed the hardest by Father Time in his 1912 attack. The backstop Pop captured last season were in their day the best in the country. Four years ago Johnny Kling was the greatest catcher in the National League, and Billy Sullivan and Gabby Street divided the honors in the American League. All three of these former stars are through as big leaguers, though Kling is retiring of his own accord.

The best known second baseman to

NOLAN ACCEPTS TOM JONES'S OFFER FOR RETURN BOUT

Date of the Bout Has Not Been Decided Upon as Yet.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 21.—Billy Nolan, manager of Willie Ritchie, lightweight champion, last night accepted Tom Jones's challenge of \$25,000 for a return engagement with Ad Wolgast.

PHILADELPHIA ASKS FOR BIG REGATTA

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—The directors of the Schuylkill Navy have decided to make application to the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen for next year's national regatta, to be held on the Schuylkill river. Before deciding to make the request the proposition was the subject of rather lively discussion.

Some of the clubs of the Schuylkill Navy felt that the expense would be too great, and called attention to the fact that he regatta last year was a losing proposition, from a financial standpoint. These objectors at last were brought around by the argument that the regatta held here would give an impetus to local rowing.

NAUGHRIGHT BEATS JULES GOLDBERG

In the amateur handicap 15.2 balk line billiard tournament played last night at Crane's Essex Billiard Hall R. T. Naughtright won from J. L. Goldberg by a score of 200 to 162. Both played with a handicap of 60 points. Naughtright's high runs were 20, 9, 9, for an average of 218-61. Goldberg's high runs were 9, 8, 8, for an average of 17-10. The standing of the players are:

	Won.	Lost.
Himmelberger	3	1
Unger	2	1
Burbery	2	1
Reld	2	1
Bennett	2	2
Fisher	1	2
Headley	1	2
Naughtright	2	2
Goldberg	2	4

SOMMERS TO PLAY ALL-STARS TOMORROW

A game of football will be played at the Columbia Oval, Forest Hill, tomorrow afternoon between the Sommer A. C. and the All-Stars. This game has been arranged in accordance with a promise made by the Sommer management to the fans last week that the pick of local eleven would be pitted against the home team.

Eric Nelson, who has played on the Sommer A. C., and has also starred with the East Side High School eleven, will captain and pick the All-Star combination. He has not as yet given out his line-up, but warns the Sommer management to have out their best players if they expect at least to put up a good showing. The Sommer team, with but one exception, has been having things all its own way at the Columbia Oval, winning nearly all of its games by one-sided scores, and will be out tomorrow to keep up its splendid record.

STANDING IS TO RETIRE AS RACQUET CHAMPION

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—George Standing, champion racquet player of the world, will retire from competition after January 1, according to announcement at the Racquet and Tennis Club, where he is instructor. With the exception of Tom Pettit, of Boston, Standing is the oldest racquet and court tennis player in the United States. His victory over Peter Latham, of England, several years ago gave him the world's championship, which he has since defended.

With Standing on the retired list the United States is said to be without a player of world championship calibre in this branch of sport.

LASSER WINS "JUMP"

In competition for a medal which is to be given to the member holding the largest number of points at the close of the season in athletics at the Newark Y. M. C. A. yesterday, Jack Lasser, with a jump 9 feet 9 inches, won the standing broad jump. C. Naving was second with a leap of 9 feet 8 inches. T. Cavanaugh, P. Kennedy and P. Lane followed in order. The points scored by the entrants in the event so far this season follow: J. Lasser, 14; W. E. Kraft, 9; D. Beckwith, 9; P. Kennedy, 7; C. Schaffer, 6; C. Naving, 4; R. Lane, 3; J. Cavanaugh, 3; J. Beckwith, 1, and H. Lerman, 1.

MUNGER TRIMS WILLIAMS

BALTIMORE, Dec. 21.—Ford Munger, the Michigan lightweight, easily outclassed "Buddy" Williams and won the decision at the end of their ten-round bout before the New Broadway Athletic Club last night.

BONNER BEAT NELSON

TAMPAQUA, Pa., Dec. 21.—Jimmy Bonner, of Summit Hill, defeated Battling Nelson here last night in the most exciting contest held in the coal regions in many years. The bout went ten rounds, with Bonner leading all the way. Nelson, as usual, was game and aggressive, but was never in it with the sturdy miner-pugilist.

DEL PADDOCK TO GANZEL

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—President Frank Farrell, of the New York American League Club, announced yesterday he had sold infielder Del Paddock to the Rochester Club, of the International League. Paddock was procured by Manager Wolverton in midseason from the Dubuque Club, of the Three-I League.

DAM THREE-MAN TOURNEY

CLINTON.		JAKE DAM.	
Gebert	180 130	Smith	170 172
Middleton	193 170	Dam	179 181
Schwefelst	151 140	Grinstead	180 170
Totals	524 452	Totals	529 535
IRONSIDE.		CLINTON.	
Taylor	180 194	Gibbert	141 162
Ponle	187 104	Middleton	225 190
Wiley	202 180	Schwefelst	162 172
Totals	544 578	Totals	528 524
JAKE DAM.		IRONSIDE.	
Smith	160 174	Taylor	174 187
Dam	151 138	Ponle	133 169
Grinstead	153 23	Wiley	167 221
Totals	490 515	Totals	514 554

CALEDONIANS AND RANGERS WILL TRY FOR FOURTH TIME TO DECIDE CUP-TIE GAME

Teams Will Meet at Paterson--Two National League Contests Scheduled for Tomorrow--Some Exhibition Games.

The Newark Caledonians and the Paterson Rangers will clash once more in the second round of the American cup tie at Willard Park, Paterson, tomorrow afternoon.

This will be the fourth meeting of these eleven, and if, in case of another draw, they will play an extra period, as they did last Sunday, with corner kicks counting as tallies in this extra session, if one be necessary, the followers of each team cannot see why their favorites do not win. The locals are a very fast and aggressive aggregation, one which is capable of giving the best in this country a tussle for victory. The Rangers are just as fast, however, and have played many brilliant games. When it takes four games to settle the question of supremacy there is only one conclusion to arrive at. In the three draws the biggest score was 2 to 2, which goes to prove that both teams play close to the wind.

The Alley Boys will face the Nairns in an Inter-city League match at Riverside Oval tomorrow morning.

The Newark F. C. will play at home tomorrow afternoon, meeting the St. George F. C. in a New York and District League contest, at Morris Park. The St. Georges are only one point behind the New York Celtics, who are leading the league, and a victory for the locals would mean much for them. If the New York Celtics, who

Chance Wants Big Share of Yanks to Lead Them

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21.—Frank Chance said today that unless he can be a part owner in a major club he will remain on his orange ranch. "A salary of \$25,000 a year would not tempt me into the management of the New York Americans," said Chance. "They must give me a tenth interest or I will be the orange ranch for me." Chance said that he had received no offer from Frank Farrell, of the New York Americans, stipulating a salary. At any rate, he said he would never play ball again, and if he took the New York team would manage it from the bench.

With Local Pin Knights

The thirteenth club night of the season was held in the Star headpin tournament on the Crooks alleys last night. It was the forty-seventh night of the present tournament and there were fifty bowlers out from this city, Montclair, Bayonne and Elizabeth.

There was a goodly exhibition of clever pinning. Michael Mitchell, of the Aretas team, was high with 107, William Lutz, of the Vergota A five, had 104. Allie Hecht, of the Special Boy five, from the postoffice, and John W. Scott, of the Vikings, of Bayonne, each accounted for 101.

The bowlers who have taken part in the Star headpin tournament now, number far beyond the 2,500 mark, and the indications are that last season's record of 5,500 bowlers will be broken this season.

The Athletic League match last night between the Newark Bays and the Rosevilles in Bayonne resulted in a victory for the latter in two out of three games.

Park A. A. took the odd game of three from Newark Turners in a Suburban League match rolled on the Turner alleys last night.

The thirteenth annual international tournament of the American Bowling Congress will be inaugurated at Toledo, O., on the night of February 1.

MORNINGSTAR TOO CLEVER FOR GEORGE SLOSSON

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 21.—Ora Morningstar, of this city, last night defeated George Slosson, of New York, by the score of 400 to 162, in a contest for a purse of \$1,000. Morningstar had a high run of 132 and an average of 20. Slosson's high run was 40, average 8-2-20.

MALLON RESIGNS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—Following the acceptance of Referee "Whitey" Mallon's resignation from the Eastern League basketball staff at a special meeting of the club owners, held at Cooper Battalion Hall last night, it was decided that in future games nobody but team captains will be permitted to question the official's judgment, and he must use discretion in addressing his remarks to the referee.

GROVER HAYES REFUSES

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—Grover Hayes decided that his part of the receipts at the Nonpareil A. C. last night would be too small for him to risk his reputation and refused to go on with his scheduled bout with Willie Houck.

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